Home Agent's Notes

By Mrs. B. G. Anderson
Home Demonstration Agent

Hot Cross Buns

Tradition has it that if two people break a Hot Cross Bun between them and eat it, they will know true fellowship. Hot cross buns originated in England in the 14th Century and were sold and eaten on Good Friday.

Surprise your family with delicious Hot Cross Buns fresh from the oven. Because these buns are made with instant whole wheat ceeral, the kind with extra wheat germ added, you really will be protecting their health.

After the buns have cooled, make frosting of confectioners' sugar and water. With a small spatula make crosses on the Hot Cross Buns.

Hot Cross Buns

3-4 cup uncooked instant or regular whole wheat cereal
1 1-2 teaspoons salt
1 teaspoon cinnamon
1-4 teaspoon allspice
1-4 cup sugar
3 tablespoons shortening
1 cup milk
3-4 cup dry raisins
1 package active dry yeast or 1 cake compressed yeast
1-4 cup water
1 egg
2 1-4 to 3 cups sifted all purpose flour.

Frosting

1-2 cup confectioners' sugar
2 1-2 teaspoons hot water
1-8 teaspoon vanilla
Dash of salt.

1. Put instant or regular whole wheat cereal, salt, spices, sugar, and shortening into a 4 quart bowl.
2. Heat milk to boiling over low heat. Pour over cereal mixture.
3. Stir until all cereal is wet.
4. Cool to lukewarm (80-85°) stirring occasionally.
5. Cover raisins with water. Heat to boiling. Drain.
5. Dissolve yeast in the 1-4 cup water. For dry yeast, use water 110-115 degrees (few drops on the wrist feel warm). For compressed yeast use water 80-85 degrees (few drops on wrist feel cool).
7. Stir dissolved yeast into luke warm cereal mixture.
8. Beat egg. Add to yeast mixture. Mix.
9. Drain raisins with 1-4 cup of the flour. Add to the cereal mixture and mix thoroughly.
10. Mix in enough of the rest of the flour to make a very soft dough that does not stick to the hands.
11. Turn onto a lightly floured board. Knead gently until smooth, about 7 strokes.
12. Wash bowl. Grease it and two 8x8x2" cake pans.
13. Put dough in bowl. Turn it over to grease top.
14. Cover with aluminum foil. Set in warm place (80-85 degrees) Let rise until double in bulk (about 1 hour).
15. Punch dough down and turn over in bowl. Cover with aluminum foil and let stand 10 minutes.
16. Shape into 18 balls. Place 9 in each pan. Brush top with milk. Cover. Let rise until double in bulk (about 45 minutes).
17. Before time is up, heat oven to 375 degrees F. bake buns for 20 minutes or until brown. Cool on wire rack.
18. Combine confectioners' sugar with enough hot water to make of spreading consistency. Add salt and vanilla. Make crosses on buns. Makes 18 buns.

Oakville

Oakville, April 17.- Mrs. Mittie Harvey, of Spout Spring, visited her sister, Mrs. Otho W. Martin, Sr., last week. Mrs. Martin, who has been sick is well again at this time.

Rev. A. Randolph Martin, a student at Westminster Theological Seminary, Westminster, Maryland, is spending this week with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Martin.

Carroll Faye Williams, of Forest, Va., granddaughter of Mrs. O. W. Martin, Sr., recently won blue ribbon in bread-making contest in the 4-H Club. This gave her an opportunity to compete in the District which is in Roanoke, Va. Carroll also won trophy for first place in the 4-H speech cootest. This is an honor, as she is only 14 years old and competed with students 16 years old.

Oakville, April 16.- Mr. and Mrs. Harry B. DePew had as week-end guests, her mother, Mrs. Roy Ford, and her sister and niece, Mrs. W. C. Rowe and Jill from Jonesboro, Tennessee.

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County Line

County Line, April 17.- The snow Saturday A. M. was quite a surprise here.

Mrs. Willard Clarke, Mrs. Everett Ferguson, Mrs. Wesley Overton, Mrs. Dewitt Marshall, Mrs. Richard Nash, Mrs. Henry Mann, and Miss Emma Haar all went to Elon Baptist Church at Pamplin Thursday to a W. M. S. meeting.

All those present at the class meeting held at Mr. and Mrs. Elwood Cock's enjoyed the meeting, and the hospitality in this home.

Mr. and Mrs. Milton Nash, of Williamsburg were recent visitors in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Mann.

The two small children of Mr. and Mrs. Mann have been on the sick list.

Mrs. Amanda Elder is on the sick list again. She received word that her sister, Mrs. Maccea Cyrus is quite ill.

Mrs. Bernard St. John spent Friday with Mrs. Emery Mullin.

The members of Central Church have just finished painting the church.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Jordan visited in the home of Nathan Powell recently.

Mrs. Sam Cordell has been in the hospital in Lynchburg.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Moore visited Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Moore Sunday night.

Frances Jones spent the week-end in Lynchburg.

Mr. and Mrs. Tilden Paulette and Mrs. Oscar Fleshman visited in the home of Vernie Jones Wednesday.

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"YOU KILLED OUR SON"

(Editor's Note: The following letter, a reprint, was mailed to us by a reader at Pamplin, asking that we publish same, stating that it may "help some driver!")

"I don't know why I'm writing to you, but I've been thinking and I have to know the answers to three questions. WHY didn't you sound your horn? Why, after your husband told you to watch the little boy, didn't you slow down? And why didn't you swerve the car to the right or apply your brakes? You could have, you know. You could have done any or all of these things and Stevie would still be living. Why didn't you?

"Can you realize what you've done to us? Until you killed our son we had four wonderful boys we were proud of. We had a happy home and a good life because we were all together. Now, because of you, one of our boys is gone forever. He's lying out there in the cemetery, forever alone. He was never alone in his life until we took him there and left him. I can't eat or sleep; all I do when I close my eyes is dream of Stevie. I see him running alongside the road, I see you hitting him, I see us have him back again and he's just a tiny baby.

"I've tried to forgive you but, God help me, I can't. All I can think is that I would like to see you hurt the way you've hurt us, to destroy your happiness the way you have destroyed ours. I keep thinking you still have a happy home and all the children you gave birth to, while I should have four beloved sons and only have three.

"Do you know what he died from? You crushed his little head, you broke his left leg and gave him internal injuries. All that, and you said you were only going 30 miles an hour! Do you think that you knocked him out of his little shoes?

"Maybe if you could answer the questions I've asked I could forgive you and find peace of mind. Can you answer them, or is it impossible? Aren't you afraid now to let your children out, one as careless and you might come along with a car?"

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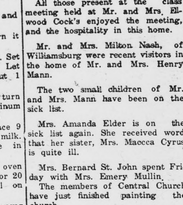

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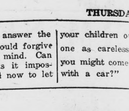

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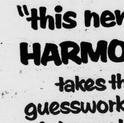

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CHURCH NEWS

Hope Baptist Church
April 21, 1957
M. Easter Sunrise Serv-

M Sunday School.
M. Morning Worship.
M. Evening Worship.
Addington, Pastor.

Baptist Church
Hite, Pastor
School, 10:00 A. M.
Worship, 11:00 A. M.
Service, 7:45 P. M.
Prayer Service and Choir Rehearsal, 7:45 P. M.
Special Easter program Sunday morning at 9:45 A.

Methodist Church
Ethelbert, Minister
School, 9:45 A. M.
Sept.
M. Morning Worship. Easter Message."
Worship, 7:30 P. M.
Subject: "The Power of the

Baptist Church
E. Green, Pastor
School, 9:45 A. M.
Worship, 11:00 A. M.
Union, 7:00 P. M.
Services, Thursday, 8:00

Starting Monday, April P. M. Rev. J. E. Green speaker. Everyone wel-

ALL AT RED OAK CHURCH
Services will begin at the Church on Sunday, and last through the 28th. 7:30 P. M. The Rev. J. The public is cordial.

Baptist Church
A. Collins, Jr., Pastor
School, 9:45 A. M.
Worship, 11 A. M.
, 9:30 P. M.
Service, 7:30 P. M.
Meeting, Wednesday at

open for infants through ss of age.

Bethany Pentecostal Holiness Church
Rev. Clyde Shelton, Pastor
Services, Sunday, April 14
Sunday School, 10 A. M.
Morning Worship, 11 A. M.

Appomattox Methodist Circuit
Aaron D. Smith, Pastor
Good Friday Service
Mt. Comfort Church
8:00 P. M.
Subject: "Watchers Around the Cross."

Easter Sunday
Charge-wide Sunrise Service
6:00 A. M. - Mt. Comfort Church
Subject: "Easter's Open Doors."
Holy Communion.
11:15 A. M. Hermon.
Subject: "He Was Made Alive."
The Easter Film, "Journey Into Faith" will be shown at Mt. Comfort Church Sunday evening at 7:30. All are invited.

Seventh-day Adventist Church
W. F. Lawrence, Pastor
Box 271, Appomattox, Va. -
Phone 4454
Services every Saturday
Sabbath School, 9:30 A. M.
Worship Service, 11:00 A. M.
Subject: "Victory Through Christ."
M. V. Meeting Friday night, 7:30.
Visitors welcome.

St. Ann's Episcopal Church
Maundy Thursday
7:30: Anti-Communion Litany, and Meditation on the Holy Communion.

Easter Sunday
9:00 A. M. Holy Communion and Sermon. -Celebrant, The Rev. Luther P. Frank. Sermon: The Rev. Charles W. Norfleet, Jr.

An educated man in the world today is one who realizes that for some questions there are no answers. -Rostoville, Ind., Republican.

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SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS FOR SHORT COURSE DUE MAY 1

Applications for scholarships to the conservation short courses to be given at VPI and William and Mary this summer are due May 1.

The short courses are sponsored by the Virginia Resource - Use Educational Council and will be held at VPI June 12 through June 29, and at William and Mary July 29 through August 16. They are open to public school teachers and others who may be interested, however, only public school teachers are eligible for scholarships.

The scholarships will cover the cost of registration, tuition, meals, lodging, etc., and teachers who complete the course will be given three semester hours credit at William and Mary and 4 1-2 hours credit at VPI.

Basic aim of the short courses is to stimulate more interest in natural resource conservation, and to encourage public school teachers to include such subjects in their regular science or other applicable courses.

Applications for scholarships to both courses should be sent to Dr. I. D. Wilson, head, department of biology, VPI, Blacksburg. Seventy-six scholarship applications already have been received.

SUDDEN SWITCH FROM WINTER FEED TO SPRING PASURE UNDESIRABLE

Increase gradually the amount of time the cows are allowed on pasture so they will always have enough dry matter and can become adjusted to the summer ration. Regardless of how good the pasture may be, the cows should have access to some good quality dry roughage every day. They probably won't eat very much while the pasture is good, but they apparently need some dry material throughout the pasture season. This practice will prevent the extremely high peak production immediately after the change from winter feeding, but it will also prevent the slump that usually follows the increase and will prove to be an economical practice in the long run. It will help maintain a more even flow of milk and also will prevent the grass and onion flavors in milk which too often accompany the advent of the pasture season.

In general, the same procedure should be used with dairy heifers. They will undergo some loss of flesh if they are changed directly from dry winter feed to a full feed of pasture grasses. This is particularly true of heifers under one year of age. It is almost impossible for them to hold enough of the lush watery grass, to maintain their normal growth rate without at least some kind of dry feed.

WILL THEY MEET ME?

Editor's note: The following was submitted by one of our readers).

Will they meet me when my journey
In this troubled world is o'er?
Will my friends and loved ones meet me,
Those who have long, long gone before?

Will they meet me at the river?
When I cross the swelling tide,
Will my friends rejoice to see me?
And lead me to my Savior's side?

Will my Savior bid me welcome?
A poor sinner saved by grace,
Will His say his blood has cleansed me,
When I meet Him face to face?

Will we recognize each other,
As we did while here below?
When we meet beyond the river,
On that bright celestial shore?

Yes, I'm sure we'll know each other
And we'll sing the new, new song,
As we mingle with the ages,
In a happy, mighty throng.

—N. L. M.

School News

Fountain Conner Receives Scholarship

Fountain Conner has been awarded a $400 scholarship to the University of Virginia for the 1957-58 school year based on his scholastic achievement and ability. Fountain is the son of Mr. and Mrs. W. Dean Conner.

In addition to his academic achievement Fountain has been active in extra-curricular activities, participating in the following activities during his high school days: Football, 3 years; Basketball, junior year; Hi-Y, junior and senior years; Spanish Club, junior and senior years; Music Club, sophomore and junior years; and a member of the Beta Club, the school honor club, in his senior year.

The faculty and students of A. H. S. are happy and proud that a member of the class of 1957 has been awarded this honor.

Mr. John Freese, Special Agent for the Federal Bureau of Investigation, talked to a group of seniors Tuesday in regard to the employment opportunities for high school graduates that are willing to go to work for the FBI in Washington, D. C. Some of the students had expressed a desire to work for this agency.

Students graduating from high school should investigate the opportunities to start careers in the Federal Civil Service, both near home and in Washington, D. C.

Because of normal employment turnover, many of the federal agencies are extremely interested in selecting, from this year's high school graduates, qualified people to fill job vacancies. Among the recruiting needs are office machine operators, clerks, draftsmen, stenographers, typists, technical aids, trade apprentices, and various jobs in the postal field service. Work experience is not necessary for these positions, which pay from $2960 to $3415 a year, (which is more than their teachers make who have had four years of college education). Qualified applicants will be hired through regular civil-service procedures which, incidentally, do not always include a written test.

In the four states (Deleware, Maryland, Pennsylvania and Virginia) in the U. S. Civil Service Commission's Third Region, there is a total of approximately 400 Federal establishments with 255,830 Federal employees, providing a broad field of employment opportunities.

Persons who take Federal employment receive many job benefits, including paid vacation time and sick leave. Promotional opportunities are good and, in addition, the nature of the work is vital and challenging.

The graduating seniors of Appomattox High School have been urged to investigate the employment opportunities provided by the Federal Government.

GOLDEN GLEAMS

We should be gentle with those who err, not in will, but in judgment. —Sophocles.

Men judge the affairs of other men better than their own. —Terence.

A man hath need of tough ears to hear himself freely judged.
—Michel de Montaigne

He that has more knowledge than judgment is made for another man's use more than his own.
—William Penn.

LIVE GRADE BASIS BEST FOR SELLING HOGS

Live grading of hogs will encourage the production of more "meat-type" hogs, which will in turn put more dollars in the pocket of the producer of quality. The consumer will buy and eat more pork. Pork consumption was down 25 per cent per capita in 1956, primarily because of too much fat. Live grading will also cut down on lard production, meaning more profit to the packer who will be able to pay more for quality hogs.

An improvement of one grade in the 17.2 billion pounds of live hogs sold in 1956 would have been worth about $78,000,000.

Producers have been wondering if the meat-type hog can be produced as cheaply as the lard-type hog. In a recent Ohio test, meat-type hogs reached 210 pounds with about 30 pounds less feed than the lard-type hogs and were ready for market just as soon.

At Michigan State University, meat-type hogs made 100 pounds of gain with an average of 355 pounds of feed for fat-type hogs. Meat-type hogs reached market weight of 210-215 pounds in 163 days, while the others took 168 days.

In Oklahoma tests, the pigs with 1.1 inches of back fat at 170 days gained 1.8 pounds daily and ate 2.3 pounds of feed for each pound of gain, while the pigs with 1.7 inches of back fat gained 1.76 pounds daily, and consumed 3.75 pounds of feed per pound of gain.

Some people with two-car garages are now complaining because they have three cars. -Charles Ruffing.

A woman is a creature who needs new shoes to go with the dress she has in mind to go with her old shoes. -Dan Benentt.

A man may fall many times but he won't be a failure until he says that someone pushed him. -Quote.

One businessman was overheard talking to another: "I wanted my son to share in the business, but the government beat him to it."
-York Trade Compositor.

Job furloughs are on the increase in American industry.

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